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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

After consultations of the Council held on 8 April 1993, the President of the Security Council made the following statement to the media on behalf of the members of the Council:

"The members of the Security Council take note of the oral statement on 6 April 1993 and the written report of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Director General Dr. Hans Blix (S/25556). The members of the Council also take note of the letter of 12 March 1993 of the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) to the President of the Security Council (S/25405), enclosing one from his Foreign Minister with reference to Article X of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT).

"The members of the Council are concerned at the situation which has arisen. In this connection they reaffirm the importance of the NPT and of the parties to it adhering to it.

"The members of the Council also express their support for the North-South Joint Declaration on the Denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula.

"The members of the Council welcome all efforts aimed at resolving this situation and in particular encourage the IAEA to continue its consultations with the DPRK and its constructive endeavours for a proper settlement of the nuclear verification issue in the DPRK.

"The members of the Security Council will continue to follow the situation."